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Laurie Jones, Rails End Gallery & Arts Centre curator, leads the drum circle at last year's festival. FILE

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Haliburton Art and Craft Festival returns

THOMAS SMITH
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The Haliburton Art and Craft Festival attracted hundreds of people during the three-day event. /FILE

The Haliburton Art and Craft Festival started over 60 years ago.

"It has had various incarnations. It started in Carnarvon with the Highlands Art Group. They joined forces with the Haliburton Guild of Fine Arts," explained Lauri Jones, executive director and curator of Rails End Gallery.

"They joined forces and they had always done summer shows, so they called it the Summer Show."

The Haliburton Art and Craft Festival has also been called Art in the Park, which is the name commonly used by locals.

"Sometimes people refer to crafts and they automatically think knitting and crochet and arts and crafts in kindergarten. It's not that," said Jones.

The Haliburton Art and Craft Festival will showcase 100 different artists, crafters, and creators this year. Vendors for this year include ceramics, sculptures, visual arts, jewelry, woodworking, and glass. There will also be fashion vendors that will offer a range of accessories, clothing, and handbags. There are also vendors that will be attending that consider themselves under the 'other' category.

"This show is curated, what that means is that we have a selection committee that reviews the images that artists sent in," said Jones.

Their art, materials, bio, and storefront all contribute towards the jury's decision of admitting a vendor. Artists are reviewed without reference to their name or studio name to avoid bias.

"The top pop out really well with their skilful use of materials, innovation, and creativity. That kind of thing that we are looking for," said Jones. "We are looking for things that are handcrafted and one of a kind."

The artisans that will be vending at the Haliburton Art and Craft Show will range widely to appeal to a wide audience.

"Some people come back every year to see similar kinds of things to add to their collection," said Jones. "We want artists who are friendly, happy to meet people, and don't do big production line work. We want people to establish a relationship with the artist."

"There is something for everyone and at all different price points. I love seeing different generations of people come."

The vendors come from all over Ontario to attend. Jones says that half of the vendors are local, whereas the other half come from places like the GTA, Ajax, Guelph and Barrie.

"What we want to do as well as a varied show is to have people feel as though they can get their work into the show. It is a competitive process to get in. It is one of the best shows in Ontario, as said by our vendors and the people that come to the show," said Jones.

Rails End Gallery is a charity that was incorporated in 1969.

"Our thing is to bring art to life in Haliburton and we do it in a variety of different ways. This is a public building, with public amenities." As a public creative space, the gallery also has a shop, hosts live poetry readings, and other events.

"What we want to do with the festival is create an open air art market where artists and craftspeople can meet each other, talk to each other, learn about art and craft, and perhaps purchase something," said Jones.

Admission for the festival is $5 for adults. Children 14 and under are free. Admission comes with a card that will allow visitors to enter and exit the festival freely, giving them time to check out the local towns and have some breaks. All money collected goes back into keeping Rails End Gallery running and providing maintenance to their building.

"Everything is so walkable here, it really is amazing," said Jones.

Two food vendors will be at the festival including Into the Blue which serves pizza and another vendor serving beavertail pastries. There will also be a Creative Community tent sponsored by Fleming College School of Art and Design. The goal of the tent is to let the community know what the college is up to. It is a place to chill, go with your children, sit and take a break. Activities such as making your own percussive instruments will also take place at the Creative Community tent.

On Friday at 3 p.m., there will be a performance of Indian dance with Yasmin. "Yasmin will present traditional Indian dance and movement accompanied by a selection of her favourite songs. Participation by everyone is warmly invited to learn more about this joyful form of dance," said Jones.

On Saturday at 1 p.m., there will be a rhythm circle with percussive instruments that will be led by LMJ Music. "Join a drum circle with traditional drums and some unconventional percussion instruments from the neighbourhood ice cream store! All welcome to join in," said Jones.

On Sunday at noon, Joy Ballet will be leading a creative dance. "JoyBallet is a children's creative movement group led by Andrea Allen of Fern Flower Yoga & Dance. They focus on self-discovery through imaginative movement-play and draw inspiration from stories, music, Mother Nature and classical ballet," said Jones.

The Haliburton Art and Craft Festival will be taking place on Friday July 26 to Sunday July 28.

The hours of operation for the festival will be Friday from noon to 5 p.m., Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.. There will be a designated drop-off point on York Street. Parking is also available at the arena and the highschool, but will fill up quickly.

"If you can get yourself picked up and dropped off at the spot, it is great," said Jones.

Rails End Gallery currently has an exhibit called 'M(y)otherwork' which is a painting exhibition by Corynn Kokolakis. Rails End Gallery welcomes all to visit the gallery during the festival. Their facility has air conditioning and is ecstatic to welcome new faces to the gallery.

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by David Alexander Risk

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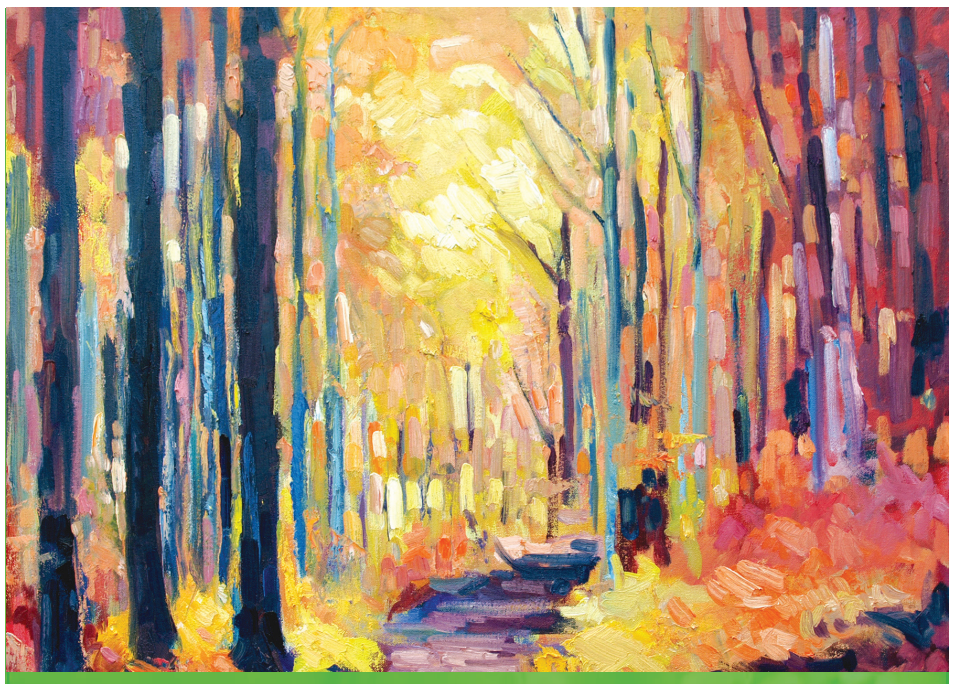

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Writing on the Senior Side

People watching and window shopping

GAIL STELTER
Special to *County Life*

People and families live above the stores. I thought everyone lived in a house. I studied them as the streetcar went along Queen Street. I was eight and a half years old and already a curious people watcher. I wondered about their lives. Did they have a backyard and where did the kids play?

It was December 8, and I had a holiday from school. It was the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, and all the Catholic schools had the day off. I think it was a "holy day of obligation" and I was supposed to go to mass, but that wasn't happening. My brother was at Royal York Collegiate so he had to go to school. My dad and mom had to go to work. They didn't want me home alone all day, so the plan was that I would go downtown and go to Simpsons where my mom worked. I had been on streetcars with my parents, but this was the first time I was on my own. There were instructions: don't talk to strangers; be careful crossing the Queensway; tell the streetcar driver where you are getting off and sit in the front seat across from him. I walked to the Humber Loop and bought my ticket inside the building. I was so excited. I was going to do some Christmas shopping and meet my mom for lunch. I don't remember being nervous or worried. I suppose today's parents would think allowing an eight-year-old to do this by herself was neglectful or even stupid. Those of us living on the senior side know that times were different in 1957. Was it safer then? Good question and one not easily answered. Evil lives in all times and generations.

I recognized University Ave. and knew my stop was coming up. I didn't want to miss it. Sure enough, the driver nodded to me that this was it. I thanked him and my steps were light as I walked into Simpsons and headed up to the fourth floor to find my mom. I was nervous about escalators. I worried that I would miss the step and fall. I held on tight to my wallet. You see, my head was always full of the horror stories my mother told me so I would be prepared. People had gotten their feet and arms caught in escalators.

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Writing on the Senior Side

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Their purses and wallets fell in the cracks. I stayed away from the old rickety ones that were still in action in some parts of the store. Mom was happy to see me. It didn't occur to me that she had been worried about me and was relieved to know I arrived safely. She told me what time to come back to meet her for lunch. I was prepared. I remembered to wear the wristwatch I had received for my birthday - no digital watches in those days. When you were eight years old you were expected to know how to tell the time.

It was time to Christmas shop. We didn't have very much money and that meant a lot of "window shopping" for presents for my family. Mom gave me her Simpsons card and a note from her that said I had permission to use it. I had no problem filling my time with my newfound life as a window shopper.

Lunch was on the eighth floor in the employees' cafeteria. I don't think I had ever been out for lunch before. We sat with a few of her work friends. I felt very special. It was the first time that having my mom work when no one else's mom did felt okay.

I remember taking the streetcar home again. I had a great day. This December 8 outing became an annual tradition for me until I too went to Royal York Collegiate and had to say farewell to that holy day holiday. As I got older, I would stay until closing time, and my mom and I would have lunch and also her afternoon break together. Then at closing time, 6 p.m., we would take the streetcar home together. It is a sweet mother-daughter memory.

It was also the beginning of being a "maybe someday" daydreaming window shopper. Imagine my delight when Stonegate Plaza opened its doors to the public in 1959. This plaza quickly became a hub for shopping, entertainment, and social gatherings, attracting residents and visitors alike. Located on the corner of Berry Road and Stephen Drive, it was just a fifteen-minute walk from my house. After a childhood of walking to the four corner stores at Smithfield and the Queensway, I was all grown up at ten years old and could add walking to Stonegate.

I spent hours in my early teen years at Stonegate. I remember the Dominion grocery store and the restaurant for chips and a Coke. I remember a store, but not its name, at the far end that was like a department store. Now, that was a great place for window shopping and purchasing little things. Best of all was the jewelry store. I stood outside at its window every time I went to the plaza. There was a dainty ring with a light blue stone, and I thought it was perfect. Of course, I didn't have enough money ever to purchase it, and I would never ask my parents as I knew they didn't have any extra money. I just thought, maybe someday. That someday never came, but that ring window shopping is still a lovely memory.

Never did I realize, in my Stonegate early teen years, that Peter and I would have our first apartment near the plaza and go there each week to do our grocery shopping. Just the other day we laughed as we recalled paying the bills, shopping for groceries, buying cigarettes and having $12 until the next payday for gas etc. We were always broke by payday.

I eventually outgrew Stonegate and, from about the age of fifteen, my new home for window shopping was Bloor Street West from Prince Edward Drive to Royal York Road. Oh, we were big kids then. It was a much longer walk but so worth it. So many more stores for window shopping, nicer restaurants, movie theatres and babysitting money to actually buy things.

Life on the senior side is sometimes just about remembering. I hope my journeys to my past at Simpsons, Stonegate Plaza and Bloor Street bring back people watching or window shopping memories for you.

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Bat Detectives – Land Trust Discovery Days
When: Thursday July 25, 7:30 p.m.
Where: Dahl Forest
All eight species of bats found in Ontario have been identified in Haliburton County. We will stroll Dahl Forest at dusk and use special monitors to detect and "hear" bats. Admission by donation. Pre-registration required at www.haliburtonlandtrust.ca.
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Minden & District Horticultural Society Annual General Meeting
When: Aug. 6, 6 p.m.
Where: Minden Community Center, 55 Parkside St.
Note the time change for this meeting. Doors will open at 6 p.m., speaker Carol Pasternak at 6:30 p.m. She will be discussing 'Raising Monarch Butterflies.' Interested youth are welcome to attend the speaker portion. The speaker will be followed by the monthly society meeting. "The Junior Members Program will meet at the Minden Community Center from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. The Junior Members program is for children in Grade 2 or higher that want to explore their interest in all things that grow.

Toad House Building Workshop
When: Saturday Aug. 10, 1 to 4 p.m.
Where: Abbey Gardens- across from the horse paddock
Participants will be guided through the hand-building process to create a toad house of their own design. The finished pieces will be fired and can be collected in the weeks following. Join local artist Mary Anne Barkhouse at an inspiring location at Abbey Gardens- no experience necessary. Minimum age 12, must be accompanied by an adult. Admission by donation. Pre-registration required at www.haliburtonlandtrust.ca. Contact 705-457-3700

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After Coffee and Tea

LYNDA SHADBOLT
Special to *County Life*

As you know Jim and I are busy caregiving for my parents and so to help keep us healthy and connected to the community are busy helping to raise money for the Brooksong Retreat and Cancer Support Centre (brooksong.ca) that is located in Haliburton.

Our team, After Coffee & Tea, is biking, hiking, swimming and looking for beauty as we travel the equivalent of going to the north pole - 5001.9 km.

This is our team of 13 friends and one dog. We are from left to right - Myra Stephen & Jim Blake, Jim Hopkins with the binoculars, myself and Billie Rose (BR has a note for Santa in her mouth), Sue Shikaze and Thom Lambert, Ed Poropat (holding the kayak), Sue and Greg Shikaze on bikes, Judy Paul and Dave Paddock carrying the canoe and Myrna McBrien and Barb Fraser holding the walking poles. This picture makes me smile every time I look at it. Myrna McBrien drew it.

This is the second year After Coffee and Tea is participating in this challenge. We started moving the last week of June and collectively have already

Brooksong
Abbey Gardens
North Pole 5001.9km
YOU GUYS KNOW THAT WE'RE NOT REALLY GOING TO THE NORTH POLE, RIGHT?
After Coffee & Tea

travelled over 1400 km (a map is below to show you what we have done so far).

I have contributed 160 km to our team in two weeks! I am moving for my own well being, and the well being of my friends who are living with cancer, my friends who are in remission and my friends and family who have passed from cancer.

The goal of the fundraiser is to raise $100,000.00. One of the beautiful things about Brooksong is that it is open to everyone and so there is no cost to the participants. I especially love that the caregivers get to be taken care of as well. We have all been or are caregivers and we know what it takes.

Brooksong is all about being a place where people can rest into the love that is present. They are taken care of, nurtured and get a chance to connect and talk and listen. They remember that they are more than the cancer diagnosis. I teach yoga, qigong and meditation as part of the retreats and I just so love it.

I have met so many amazing people. There is such joy and delight in the retreats, that holds the challenges that people face or have faced.

I am asking everyone I know to consider donating to our fundraiser. Every dollar helps. Here is a link if you are able to contribute www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/the-abbey-retreat-centre/p2p/HHC2024/team/after-coffee-and-tea/captain/after-coffee-and-tea.

Thank you for taking the time to learn about Brooksong and this fundraiser. Every day I am grateful for good health and am extra grateful for places like Brooksong that are there to support people when they need it. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact me.

Top 10 things to do when confronted by an angry cow moose

ONE OF THE worst situations a person can have is a government audit. Right behind that, a being confronted by an angry cow moose.

STEVE GALEA
Humour Columnist

Luckily, there are many sensible ways to deal with an angry cow moose. Here are the top 10, I'm guessing…

1. Stop dressing up its calf.
2. Get off the moose's back. Gently remove your saddle.
3. Try to reason with it, but only if you can do so while sprinting.
4. Acknowledge its feelings. Seriously consider a heartfelt apology.
5. Try to find common ground – preferably on opposite sides of the lake.
6. Whatever you do, do not mention the contents of your freezer.
7. Make friends with it. Then set up a date to meet at that same location – on opening day of moose season.
8. Trash talk wolves.
9. Don't get too upset. We all have bad days. As you are about to find out.
10. When the moose is glowering at you and frothing at the mouth, I find a simple, "Who me?" helps.

Seagulls

Boulders bulging from the riverbed, where a River used to flow,
its current slowing to a trickle, its rush of water muted to a whisper,
rocks bridging its banks, where a flock of seagulls rests their wings,
still as the boulders roasting beneath a blaze of blue Sky,
my eyes counting how many seagulls are sunning themselves on the rocks,
more, swooping down, the white of their wings, brushing the blue smoothness of Sky,
as I watch them land on the bridge of rocks, their squawks ruffling the stillness of Air,
as I slump like a boulder at the top of the hill, sloping down towards the relic of River that used to flow,
a seagull stands on the grass, two arms lengths away from me,
the glass beads of its eyes, staring straight down towards the riverbank,
as its con-freres congregate on the rocks, conversing in squawks that I wish I could understand,
more of them landing 'till soon there won't be enough room for them to spread their wings,
and I don't blame the lone seagull for resting up here, beneath the shade of a sprawling oak tree,
I have no crumbs to offer it, as it swivels its head like a mechanical doll,
peering straight at me, as I forage in my bag for leftovers,
my fingers grazing a stale granola bar that I forgot was there, fishing it out and unwrapping it,
breaking off pieces and throwing them onto the grass, the seagull devouring the crumbly bits,
screeching for more as I toss them towards it, a pair of seagulls circling in the patch of Sky above us,
squawking as they land, my hands offering them the remains of the bar, as they peck at the grass,
more seagulls swooping down from the runway of Sky, I have no more left to give,
gazing down at the bridge of rocks, a flurry of feathers flapping up into Air, the flock of seagulls dispersing,
light igniting the white of their wings as they fly, against the backdrop of a seamless blue Sky,
landing on the grass at the top of the hill, where I slump like a boulder beneath the oak tree,
my bag, barren as the River that used to flow, no crumbs left to throw at the seagulls
congregating at the top of the hill,
my eyes searching the flock for the lone seagull that perched on the grass, keeping me company,
but it got lost in the flurry of feathers and squawks, more room now on the bridge of rocks,
for a seagull to land and spread its wings, listening to the whispers of a River that used to flow,
boulders roasting in the riverbed and on its banks, crumbs of parched earth craving Rain,
as the seagulls flap back up into Sky, light polishing the glass beads of their eyes,
searching for the next place to fly.

Sylvie Kalenda

The James Cooper Trail - highs and lows

KAREN PHIPPS
Walter & Me

WHEN YOU decide to open your home and heart to a dog, it's generally understood that your daily routine is going to adjust to accommodate the needs of a new cohabitant. Many people think about the breed of dog that would best assimilate into the rhythm and lifestyle of the family. I personally have always been drawn to the temperaments of a labrador or a golden retriever - easy going, mild mannered and just happy about life.

However, my ongoing criteria for choosing my canine companion has always been based on which dog needs a home the most. That being said, the only attribute Walter has in common with my "temperament aligned" dog is perhaps the colour of his fur and his joy for life. While I certainly appreciate his joy, it is often expressed in a manner that is just a little more exuberant, chaotic, and loud than I would have perhaps hoped for. There are ups and downs, highs and lows, often on an hourly basis.

Despite having personalities that may not always be aligned, Walter has introduced me to things that no other dog member has before him. His loud insistence is difficult to ignore, so morning walks now begin at 6:30 a.m. It doesn't matter if it's Tuesday morning or Sunday morning, they need to happen at 6:30 a.m. I have learned that it's easier to just accept my reality than it is to try to ignore, change, or cajole.

The truth is, I actually enjoy the routine, and once I get started; it feels good to be outside, welcoming the morning. I'm not yet sold on having to protect my morning coffee from flying slobber after Walter's good morning body shake, or watching how the rays of sun capture the swirling storms of fur, but the early morning walks are good.

An attribute that Water and I perhaps share, is our curiosity about the new or unexplored. Once on a trail, we like to see all it has to offer. It turns out that we have similar desires, but differing strategies. I may want to stop to identify a plant or read a sign, and he needs to sniff to get a better understanding of his environment. Walking with Walter means that I have become fairly adept at moving like a hound. I dart from side to side, shift between frontward and backward motion, abruptly stop, push, pull, and twirl.

Our hike this week challenged my movement skills, as we ventured to the James Cooper Trail. Lesson learned - I may think twice before venturing on another "lookout"; at least with Walter. When your walking partner is a 90 pound hound who darts at the faintest whiff of a chipmunk, it just doesn't feel safe.

Walter and I entered the trail off the North Shore Road. Parking is well marked, and there is a short 50m walk down the road to the trail head. The signage is excellent, and the map helps you orient to just where the various trails lead and intersect. Had there been a topographic map of the trail, I may have reconsidered the venture, but I am glad that we continued and survived to tell the tale.

The trail is easy to follow, but given all the recent rain and thick forest cover, the rocks and slick mud made finding your footing tricky at times. Add a steep incline that was followed by a decline, the trail can be challenging at times for unseasoned hikers.

The landscape is beautiful, even before you get to the spectacular vista. A large rock face greets you as you enter the trail, and it's a great opportunity to get up close and personal with a magnificent part of the Canadian Shield. We certainly see the rock cuts in Haliburton County, but when looking up, I was surprised by its visual impact. It gives you a moment to reflect and connect to the landscape's ever changing story.

James Cooper must have known when he donated the land back in the 1970s that it was truly a unique and special place, as he did it with the condition that the lookout be publicly accessible. It is a view that truly needs to be shared. His act of generosity led to others allowing public trails to pass through their property, creating 20 kilometres of backcountry access. This loop links up with the Algonquin Highlands Ridge Trail Loop, which connects to the Circuit of Five Viewpoints and leads to the Crest of Kennisis and ends at the Log Chute Trail.

There is no question that the terrain is tricky and the sign at the trail head clearly states; "This trail quickly ascends rugged, steep cliffs to the lookout. For a more gentle ascent, walk the trail in reverse by walking up Mufflin Road." Good advice, however Walter and I had arrived at the Northshore Entrance with the intention of hiking to the lookout.

I had a goal, and I felt I wanted to follow through. This is probably the premise of many adventure movies that end in tragedy however, with a tight grasp on his leash and frequent, emotion-filled commands of "Walter! Stop!" we persisted and were greeted with a breathtaking view.

The top of the lookout gives you a vantage point overlooking Beech, Boshkung, Maple, and Twelve Mile Lakes. Definitely worth the journey, but one I likey won't do again with Walter in tow.

But as always, an adventure with Walter has given me a level of strength, patience, and resilience that I've had to pull from places unknown. Like many things in life, this canine companionship brings ups and downs, highs and lows.

But at least the highs this week included a stunning lookout, and I could certainly think of worse places to be.

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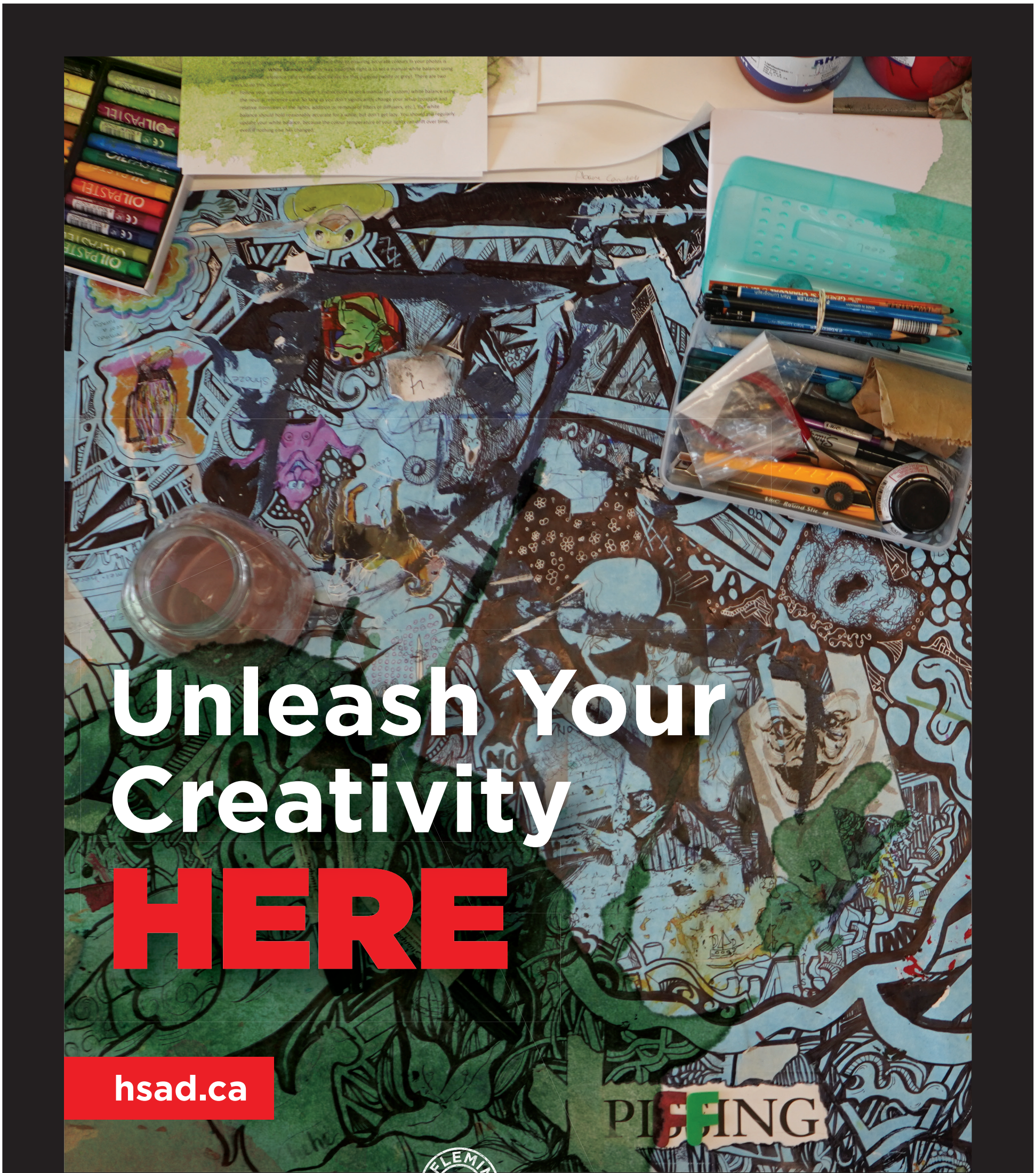
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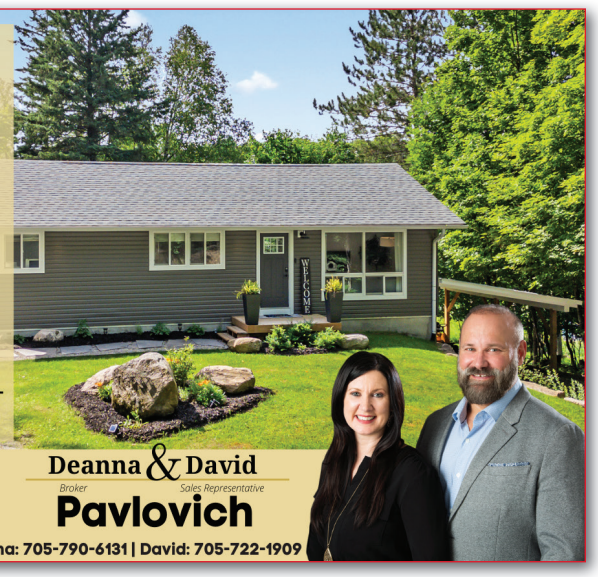

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A Blue heron landing in the pond. /Submitted by Tammy Nash

A loon and loonlet on Kashagawigamog Lake. /Submitted by Jill Moulton

Legion Events

Branch 129 Haliburton

Mondays: Bridge every Monday, 1 p.m. Schofield Rm.
Tuesdays: League darts starting at 7 p.m. Haliburton Army Cadets practice 6:30 to 9 p.m. (Sept to June)
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A Slaty skimmer dragonfly. /Submitted by Jill Moulton

A beautiful Monarch butterfly. /Submitted by Jill Moulton

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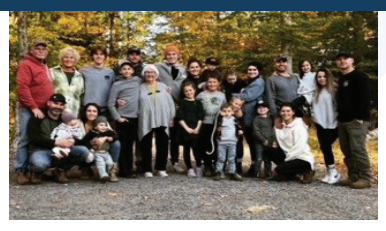

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Second World War veterans Ken and Gord Martin in front of the granite monument at St. Stephen's Church that honours local men who who lost their lives in the carnage of the First Wolrd War

It's a matter of respect

Martin brothers restore monument to soldiers

by DARREN LUM
Times staff

Two Second World War veterans are ensuring the remembrance of soldiers who paid the ultimate price paid for freedom with their conviction and their own money.

A year ago the Martin brothers, Gord and Ken, paid more than $2,000 to have a First World War monument located in front of the St. Stephen's Church, rebuilt in granite. It is located on Buckslide Road and honours young men from the area who volunteered and lost their lives during the First World War.

Gord, who landed on Juno beach during the D-Day invasion, served with the 3rd Anti-tank Regiment for Canada and Ken was a Head Nurse with the Medical Corps in England.

"People have no respect for what veterans did. These are First World War veterans. The stone was going to pieces and I could see it needed replacing,"

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$2.9 million expansion planned for airport

by ANDY LLOYD
Times staff

Algonquin Highlands is moving forward with its plans for a $2.9 million expansion of the Stanhope Airport, part of an extensive strategy for major improvements to the county's only airport.

Under the plan, the municipality will construct a new 1,200-metre crosswind runway to the north of the current airport property. It will also expand the airport's apron, the area where the planes are parked. A geographic global positioning guidance system will be installed to allow aircraft to use the airport in low visibility conditions and the existing runway's pavement and lighting systems will also be upgraded.

As part of the project, the airport will be renamed the Haliburton-Algonquin Highlands Municipal Airport.

Top priorities of the project are the new runway, the GPS system and the apron expansion at a cost of $2.37 million. Funding of this part of the project is contingent though on the municipality's efforts to secure $2 million in provincial government backing. Once provincial funding is secured, the strategy calls for a $300,000 commitment from Algonquin Highlands, $60,000 from the county and donations from local organizations .

The municipality also needs to acquire a large tract of private land adjacent to the airport, on which the new runway will be built. The cost of the land has already been factored in to the total project estimates.

The remaining $550,000 of the $2.9 million is for what the strategy calls secondary development, which includes improvements to existing airport facilities.

John Packer, airport manager,

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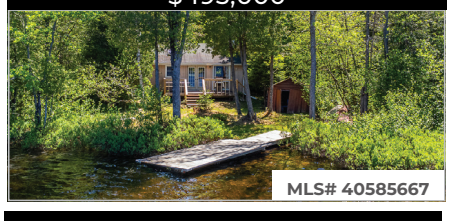

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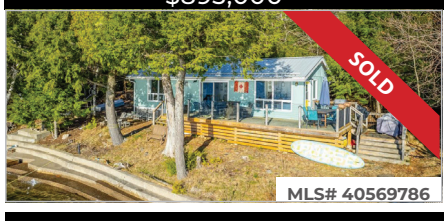

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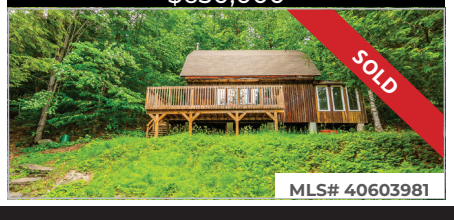

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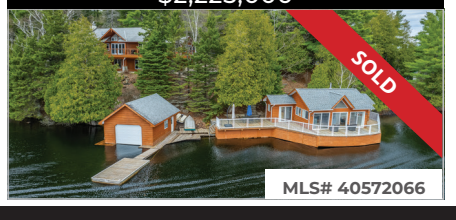

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